From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 16:37:31 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 13:07 EST

From: Emil Switzer <SWITZER+_E%A1%Electromagnetic_Sciences@mcimail.com>

Subject: ANTIQUE RADIO SWAP MEET

Message-Id: <73941007180737/0006082972NA4EM@MCIMAIL.COM>

TO: BOATANCHORS

ATLANTA, GA AREA

I JUST FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS ABOUT 20 MINUTES AGO.

THE SOUTHEASTERN ANTIQUE RADIO SOCIETY IS HOLDING THEIR FALL SWAP MEET ON SATURDAY OCT 8 AND SUN OCT 9. THIS GROUP IS MAINLY INTERESTED IN OLD BROADCAST BAND RADIOS BUT A LOT OF GENERAL COVERAGE RECEIVERS AND PARTS SHOWS UP INCLUDING SOME HAM GEAR. I HAVE BEEN TO SEVERAL OF THESE IN THE PAST AND CONSIDER THEM WORTHWHILE.

IT WILL BE HELD AT THE SOUTHERN BELL EXECUTIVE LEARNING CENTER WHICH IS AT THE CORNER OF I-85 AND N. DRUID HILLS RD IN NORTH ATLANTA STARTING AT 8 AM.

73 EMIL W1GGM/4

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 16:25:53 1994

From: "Skelton, Tom" <TSkelton@engineer.clemsonsc.NCR.COM>

Subject: FW: apologies...

Date: Fri, 07 Oct 94 10:23:00 PDT

Message-Id: <2E9596F6@admin.ClemsonSC.NCR.COM>

>From: owner-boatanchors

To: boatanchors
Subject: apologies...

Date: Thursday, October 06, 1994 12:23PM

Hey, gang,

I hate to inflict trouble on this group, but it appears that inadvertently I periodically have wasted your bandwidth. As such, then, let me APOLOGIZE with bowed head...

>> Good grief Kevin. If that's your worst fault consider
>>yourself lucky!

(Previously I was teaching, and still do that part-time in the evenings until they hire my replacement...)
For some reason, I now regularly drop things on the floor, spill food on my pants, put open pens in my shirt pockets, get embarassing headaches, type wrong keys on the computer, etc., all because I am now in an environment where my time is watched more closely and my boss, an old-time engineer, expects me to dress nicely :-).

>>Old-time engineers are like that. They had 1 suit, a couple of >>white shirts, and 2 ties. New time engineers dress casually >>and probably work longer hours (that's what I see at my company, >>anyhow). I'm somewhere between the >> two. I wish I had had an old-time engineering education >>that included more classical elements of education (ie., >>Latin, Shakespeare, etc.) and more focus on math. Nowadays, >>it's push out digital designers and programmers who have no >>idea what 3-phase power is and much less why it's used! >>(This is not meant to slam good digital engineers! It is a >>slam against engineering curricula.) >>BTW, I got my EE degree in 1982 after a Psych/Econ >>BA degree in 1976 and a fews years in the college of >>hard knocks.

So apologies for my wasted bandwidth, both in the past and likely (accidently) in the future.

Back to our regular, more useful, programming....

>>73, Tom WB4iUX (Tom.Skelton@ClemsonSC.NCR.COM)
>>Any opinions expressed here are mine and my employer
>>doesn't want them and can't take them away from me!

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 11:33:36 1994

From: "Kearman, Jim, KR1S" <jkearman@arrl.org>

Subject: Mailing List vs Newsgroup Date: Fri, 07 Oct 94 09:57:00 EDT Message-Id: <2E955407@arrl.org> Rec.radio.shortwave is a Usenet newsgroup. I kind of like it, because the flame content is low. Lately, that has been changing. I've taken the liberty of including this long posting to that newsgroup, because I know the poster to be a reasonable, normally calm individual. In that we have sometimes discussed turning this mailing list into a newsgroup, I think it's worth everyone's while to read it.

73

Jim, KR1S
jkearman@arrl.org

In article <4BC8460A79@tmu1.mcrest.edu> Don Moore writes:

>There is an unfortunate tendency of a small vocal minority of >participants to this discussion group to tear down anything they have >a disagreement with or dislike of, no matter how slight. It's even

>outdated or incorrect information. But unjustified viscious attacks >do not make this list a very pleasant one to read. I suspect if we

I have to agree with Don on this, and not just in regard to the recent flame-fest in regard to Gilfer. I see numerous postings in this group in recent times that contain gratuitous inflammatory comments on topics wholly unrelated to the topic of this group. If you have an opinion on politics, for example, that's wonderful. I'm glad you're an informed active participant in the civic life of your locality and country. But I don't want to hear about it here unless it's related to radio. There are something like 10,000 newsgroups these days. Take it somewhere appropriate.

In the past few weeks, I've seen comments like "the President must have his head up his ass" and "we all want a conservative government" inserted into postings on unrelated topics. Fine, Usenet is an anarchy, believe whatever you want, I don't care. But the arrogance of inflicting your opinions on the readership of a forum has had a bad effect on the civility and tone of the newsgroup, to the point where personally, I'm about ready to give up on the cesspool this group (and others) are threatening to become.

I've long been an advocate of extending access to the net to as many people as possible, but at this point I'm about ready to go off and find some quiet corner of "cyberspace" to colonize and to hell with it. You used to be able to count on most areas of the net being civil, and if you wanted flame-fests, you could go somewhere where they

were accepted and promoted, like alt.flame or news.groups. In the past couple of years, though, the flame-mentality has spread like a cancer through the rest of the net. It's even being promoted as a feature, not the bug that it is. I recently read a catalog from a book publisher prominent in the Macintosh market, for example, that promoed its new Internet offerings by telling people they could "join the unfettered, uncensored, no-holds-barred forums known as 'newsgroups' and engage in 'flaming'." The publisher included his e-mail address in the catalog, so I sent him mail taking him to task for promoting what is essentially a negative behavior and something about the net that needs to be discouraged, not promoted. My best net experiences have nothing to do with flames, I assure you. I got a nice note back apologizing and thanking me for pointing out the inappropriateness of the tone. I'm assured that the next catalog will take a different approach.

There's a long-standing joke on the net about "Imminent Death of the Net Predicted." I've been here long enough to know better, but it seems to me that it's in danger of living on in a form I personally don't want to have anything to do with.

>could this group a little more civilized and cooperative we might get >more participation in it, including useful participation from the

Our local newspaper recently had an article about flaming and how people liked to do it because they weren't hurting anyone. I'd like to remind people that, despite the "faceless" nature of this form of computer-mediated communication, the people on the other end of your missives are in fact people, not computers. If you wouldn't go up to 30,000 strangers on the street and tell them that the President has his head up his ass or that so-and-so is a jerk ripping off people and about to go out of business, don't do it here.

It's possible to be civil while disagreeing about things. To use an example that hits close to home, I was probably the strongest opponent of the creation of this newsgroup when it was proposed. I felt very strongly that the existing SWL-L mailing list worked fine, and that there was no need for a shortwave newsgroup. Richard Shapiro, who proposed the newsgroup, felt otherwise. It went to a vote, the group succeeded, and here we are. Richard and I are still friends, because the tone of the discussion was kept civil, and on topic.

Tom Sundstrom writes:

>I can't stand it any more.

Okay, he was referring mostly to the flap over Gilfer, but that

about sums up how I feel about the turn this group has taken in general lately.

Everyone here posseses the motor skills to use a computer keyboard or some other alternate means of entering text, so I assume we've all got brains. Use them. Think before you post. If you're particularly hot about something, go away for a while until you can respond in a rational, civil manner. This post, for example, would have had a much nastier tone if I had posted it a few days ago. Consider if what you're posting is appropriate for the group. Focus. Re-read what you write before you post it, and the more potentially inflammatory, the more times you should re-read. Edit out unrelated material. The only impression we get of you comes from the tone of the text you write.

Civility counts. Without it, this "community" becomes less inhabitable, and productive "citizens" will move elsewhere. (That's what I get for playing SimCity before logging on tonight....)

Soapbox mode off.

- -

Ralph Brandi ralph@mtunp.att.com att!mtunp!ralph

Stay idiot-proof. --Log, "Idiot Proof"

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Sat Oct 8 00:01:45 1994 From: Fire Bottle archive handler <firebotl@jackatak.raider.net>

Subject: Mailing List vs Newsgroup

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 1994 20:49:18 -0500 (CDT)

Message-Id: <9410072049.aa11358@jackatak.raider.net>

Jim-

> Rec.radio.shortwave is a Usenet newsgroup. I kind of like it, because the > flame content is low. Lately, that has been changing.

Thank you so much for the reminder. No matter how much pressure there is for a newsgroup, I will maintain a boatanchor list where civility is the "village" norm... (even though I am, arguably, ill-qualified to recognize flaming and incivility when I see it. ;^)

This list is not broken... frozen in time perhaps (given Paul's situation) but that seems oddly appropriate for a list about radios frozen in time. To attempt to fix it, by carrying it to the masses, most of whom don't know what a fire bottle is, don't care that they don't know, would be to kill the best signal to noise on the InterNet.

I *want* to be able to read Jeff's posts about the 500Kc watches at NMO. I *want* to see Don Merz's posts about gear for sale or wanted...

as a baseline, if naught else, for prices and scarcity. I *want* an open discussion forum that can get as technical as needed, maintains a grand sense of humor, has wonderous yarns to spin and share, and has very few of the "flash-by flamers" that dominate the r.r.a.* hierarchy.

Thanks to all of the list readers and players who have kept my interest high for more than two years now. Were this a newsgroup, I would NOT archive it, index it by hand... the only posts I trash uncerimoniously (but with a polite note advising the correct procedures) are adminsitrivia "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" requests... everything else is precious... all 7200 postings in the archive!

- > I've taken the liberty
- > of including this long posting to that newsgroup, because I know the poster
- > to be a reasonable, normally calm individual.

Agreed. Thanks.

> I think it's worth everyone's while to read it.

Agreed again. I think we might better take the discussion off line, or to another list... I can set up a quickie for discussing this if enough interest exists... Thanks, Jim.
73

Jack, W4PPT/Mobile (75M SSB 2-letter WAS #1657 -- all from the mobile! ;^)

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firebotl@jackatak.raider.net

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+-----human interface: root@jackatak.raider.net ------+

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 20:10:17 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 16:15:15 EST

From: "Roy Morgan" <morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov> Message-Id: <69942.morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov> Subject: Manual WANTED, Heath SB-610 monitor.

Anchorites,

Wanted: manual for Heath SB-610 monitor.

Has 6J11, 6EW6, 6C10, 6BN8 tubes.

Recently acquired at estate sale, and I'll want to run it with my Johnson Valiant (to keep me out of trouble.)

All tales and advice welcome.

-- Roy --

Roy Morgan / Tech A-266 / NIST / Gaithersburg MD 20899 (National Institute of Standards and Technology, formerly NBS) 301-975-3254 Fax: 301-948-6213 Internet: morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 11:54:26 1994

From: rdkeys@csemail (R. D. Keys)

Message-Id: <9410071514.AA104406@csemail.cropsci.ncsu.edu>

Subject: Need INFO on HAL CRI-200 RTTY Interface

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 11:14:32 EDT

Hello Friend Hams..... Boatanchorites and QRPites of the first water.....

I have just purchased a HAL CRI-200 Computer RTTY Interface and am looking to find some information on same.

- 1. Does anyone have a manual that I could get a xerox of?
- 2. What is the power voltage and polarity required at the dc power adapter socket on the back panel (+12vdc? GND=SHELL?).
- 3. What is the pinout and interface specifications on the 5 pin computer I/O port connector? I am assuming RS-232, but it could be something funky like 5V tty RS-232, or it might even be current loop (20 ma).
- 4. What are the cw keying polarities on the two keying jacks?

Any Help is appreciated

Most Sincerely, Robert D. Keys, ``Boatanchor Bob'', NA4G rdkeys@csemail.cropsci.ncsu.edu

p.s. What in the world am I doing playing around with non-vacuum-tube technology..... (:+}}.....

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 20:41:17 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 23:09:09 GMT

From: Hugh D. Stegman <driver8@red-eft.la.ca.us> Message-Id: <9410072309.AA07468@red-eft.la.ca.us>

Subject: oh, and that nerd thing.

Before I start any flames here, keep in mind that "nerdy EE professors" is a compliment. I was a nerd, I am a nerd, I will always be a nerd. If they had a special license plate for nerds, I would get it. Since they don't, I'll keep my callsign plates.

73,

Hugh NV6H

"Your kid should be a nerd. Nerds survive." -- LA Times.

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 15:43:25 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 17:54:21 GMT

From: Hugh D. Stegman <driver8@red-eft.la.ca.us> Message-Id: <9410071754.AA06719@red-eft.la.ca.us>

Subject: Re: politics on the net.

Jim writes:

>discussed turning this mailing list into a newsgroup.

Yes. This is why I didn't like this idea. The S/N on all the radio groups is really getting bad. I have to read rec.radio.shortwave for my RCMA column, but if copy gets any tougher I'll turn off the receiver and then the RCMA will have to read about my own tastes (definitely a little too weird for your typical radio club).

Most all the good net.stuff right now is on obscure mailing lists or WWW servers. The net is going through the same thing CB went through. Every nerdy little EE professor who's worried about the budget cuts is hiding behind his CRT screaming about those [Republican/Democratic] assholes and their [conservative paranoia/liberal money wasting] that's ruining the [country/VOA/industry/radio/garbage collection].

>civility, and all that.

Yes. It seems like we're in a really political cycle right now. It's the

worst since the 70s. It just seems like everyone's mad at everyone else for the social problems we have, and the general lack of new ideas. I try to keep my own politics out of the radio hobby. When I started, the whole HF thing was about understanding and listening to other groups and persons, no matter how personally repugnant their politics were. Nobody had to apologize for logging Radio Moscow or Baghdad, as the next night we were just as likely to listen to VOA or some screaming right-wing preacher. I really don't like all this political ranting. It's ruining a good hobby.

Thanks for the bandwidth.

Hugh NV6H

"Be politically correct. Rant about political correctness on USENET!"

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 14:56:09 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 1994 13:14:06 -0400 (EDT)

From: Stephen Modena <modena@calypso-2.oit.unc.edu> Subject: PostScript file: Batteries, Charging, Chargers

Message-Id: <Pine.SOL.3.90.941007130714.1472A-100000@calypso-2.oit.unc.edu>

[Instructions for retrieving 'batterie.ps' are at the bottom of this message.]

The following article (batterie.ps) is a short article about batteries and battery charging. It covers many types of batteries that amateurs might find useful around the hamshack. It does not cover small HT style batteries, although the principles would be similar.

Most of the batteries that I use are from the local scrapyard, and were junked from industrial lighting systems, etc. I can usually get a couple of years of service out of almost any of them, with a little care, and some thought about bringing them back up to snuff.

REVISION of 6 OCTOBER, 1994.

THE JUNIOR OPERATOR'S GUIDE BATTERIES, BATTERY CHARGERS, AND BATTERY CHARGING.

A Practical Compendium of All That Junk You Might Want to Know.

By Robert D. Keys, NA4G

Addenda to a presentation by Alan Pitegoff (AB40Z) and

Robert D. ``Boat Anchor Bob'' Keys (NA4G) to the Homebrew Special Interest Group of the Raleigh Amateur Radio Society (RARS) 26 August, 1992 and 26 May, 1993.

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Robert D. Keys, NA4G Raleigh, NC, 25 September, 1994.

Enjoy 73 DE NA4G Boatanchor Bob

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/pub/academic/agriculture/agronomy/ham/things-to-build/na4g
ftp.Cybernetics.NET (temporary -- easier to get in)

For ease, the group of files have been 'rolled into one'...

batterie.tar.Z (for Unix jocks)
batterie.zip (using PKZIP 2.04g for MS-DOS users)

Don't forget to set 'binary' mode before 'get'...else they will come to you as trash. :^)

de AB4EL]

/pub/users/ab4el

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From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 13:55:43 1994

From: Thomas Bryan <tbryan@mailstorm.dot.gov>

Message-Id: <199410071702.AA03048@mailstorm.dot.gov>

Subject: RACAL

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 1994 13:02:45 -0400 (EDT)

Hello,

I am interested in buying Racal portable equipment. I especially want models begining with PRM or BCC. (such as PRM4070) If you have any of these or accesories or manuals for sale send me an E-mail directly because I am not subscribed to this list yet.

I am also interested in hearing from any other RACAL collectors out there.

Tom Bryan tbryan@mailstorm.dot.gov

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 11:24:38 1994

Date: 07 Oct 94 10:12:10 EDT

From: don merz <71333.144@compuserve.com>

Subject: RS-6, other...

Message-Id: <941007141210_71333.144_DHQ61-1@CompuServe.COM>

FOR SALE

CONTACT: Don Merz, 47 Hazel Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15228 412-234-8819 (weekdays, EST).

Radio Station RS-6. Issued to pilots flying over enemy lines and "spies" operating behind the lines during the 1950's and '60's cold war, this is a little 4-part rig that cables together into a slick HF set. Transmitter has fold-out telegraph key. Each unit is about the size of a small cassette recorder. All four units included. Used but very nice in original, non-reflecting black paint. Untested. With manual photocopy. \$375/set. If you're not familiar with this radio, send me a SASE and I'll send you a photocopy of the write-up from the AWA Old Timer's Bulletin several years ago.

Kenwood DK-20 adapter kit. Lets the DG-5 digital display work with the original TS-520. The later TS-520S and TS-520SE models didn't need this kit

as the DG-5 hookup was factory installed in those later models. Excellent

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- Almotronics 806 Uni-directional microphone. Sloping metallic-green one-piece design that would have done Andy Warhol proud. 1K impedance, dynamic. A few paint chips but very good condition. \$29
- National NDC-07 speaker cabinet. I think this takes an 8" speaker. The color matches the HRO 7 (light, non-metallic gray). Brand new in the original box. No speaker, just the cabinet. Box opened, mint condition: \$49. Last one left out of 7.
- E. F. Johnson Invader 2000. 1 KW output SSB and CW, 300 watts AM (balanced modulation--not plate modulated). A full gallon in style! This is a rare Factory-Built 2000, not a 200 with an add-on kit. Only 380 of these were made. How many are left? This one is in very good cosmetic condition. Case has many chips and scrapes but the front panel and power supply cabinet are excellent. It works very well and loads to full output on all bands except 40 meters. 40 meters is down a bit and tricky to load for some reason. With original manual. \$689 shipped to your door east oof the Mississippi, \$719 shipped westward.
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- Military Korean-war vintage RT-70/AM-65 FM transciever covering 48-57mhz. These are common surplus jeep radios and Fair Radio may still have some. BUT what Fair doesn't have, and what NOBODY has is the DOGBONE CABLE that runs between the RT-70 and AM-65. This set has that cable. Complete with original manual and handset. Add 6 meter antenna and a source of 24 volts (or buy 12v supply from Fair Radio) and get on Six meter FM. \$95
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- URC-64 Military UHF handheld in the 250mhz range used for downed-pilot location in the post-Vietnam era. 3 or 4 crystal-controlled channels. Scratched up but works. Tiny mod to let it use a 9v battery. Nice. \$35
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From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 17:30:50 1994

Message-Id: <se9569ea.030@wpsmtp.bloomu.edu>

Date: Fri, 07 Oct 1994 15:26:18 -0400

From: ryme@wpsmtp.bloomu.edu Subject: Special Event Station

Posting Special event information for my local Club-

West Branch ARA Club station W3AVK will be operating from the exact point where Delaware, Maryland, and Pennsylvania come together, from 2200 UTC Friday 21 October, 1994 to 1600 UTC 23 October, 1994. Phone Freq: 7208 kHz and 14340 kHz (listening 7070 Khz Europe) CW freq: 7020 kHz and 14020 kHz QSL the operator called or WBARA, P.O. Box 3002, Williamsport, PA 17701, USA

Thanks and good hunting, 73,
John N3PFF

From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 20:06:17 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 1994 12:42:17 -0700 (PDT)

From: Electronic Design Magazine <dmalinak@CLASS.ORG>

Subject: subscribe

Message-Id: <Pine.3.89.9410071214.A18800-0100000@class.class.org>

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From owner-boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu Fri Oct 7 19:16:56 1994

Date: Fri, 7 Oct 94 15:33:02 EST

From: "Roy Morgan" <morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov>
Message-Id: <67629.morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov>

Subject: WANTED Info: Beckman 905 WWV Rcvr.

Anchorites:

The big brown truck just left my newly acquired Beckman (Beckley?) model 905 WWV Receiver behind the shrubs.

No Manual.

Anyone got one, or a close one?

-- Roy --

Roy Morgan / Tech A-266 / NIST / Gaithersburg MD 20899 (National Institute of Standards and Technology, formerly NBS) 301-975-3254 Fax: 301-948-6213 Internet: morgan@speckle.ncsl.nist.gov